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AMEMBASSY KUWAIT  
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AMEMBASSY ALGIERS POUCH

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CINCEUR FOR POLAD, TEL AVIV FOR PAO

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SUBJECT: FURTHER DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT ON LEBANON

1. THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT ON THE SITUATION IN LEBANON WAS POSTED THIS AFTERNOON FOR THE PRESS IN THE DEPARTMENT:

QUOTE WE ARE HEARTENED BY REPORTS THAT A CEASE-FIRE IN BEIRUT APPEARS TO BE HOLDING. WE ARE ALSO PLEASED THAT PRESIDENT SARKIS HAS POSTPONED CONSIDERATION OF HIS RESIGNATION. WE REMAIN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH ALL THE PARTIES CONCERNED ABOUT HOW TO RE-ESTABLISH PEACEFUL CONDITIONS IN BEIRUT, AND ARE ALSO CONSULTING WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY ABOUT THE BEST WAY TO PROCEED. WE CONTINUE TO WATCH THE SITUATION CLOSELY AND ARE DETERMINED TO TAKE WHATEVER STEPS WE CONSIDER NECESSARY TO HELP ESTABLISH PEACE AND SECURITY IN LEBANON. END QUOTE  
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2. IN ANSWER TO QUESTIONS ABOUT UNITED STATES EFFORTS TO CONVENE A MEETING OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON THE LEBANESE SITUATION, THE FOLLOWING GUIDANCE WAS SUPPLIED THE SPOKESMAN:

QUOTE WE DID START CONSULTATIONS IN NEW YORK AND ELSEWHERE ABOUT THE POSSIBLE SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING TO OBTAIN

A CEASE-FIRE. SINCE THEN, HOWEVER, A CEASE-FIRE APPEARS TO HAVE TAKEN HOLD IN BEIRUT, SO WE ARE SUSPENDING THESE PARTICULAR EFFORTS UNTIL WE SEE HOW THE SITUATION IN BEIRUT DEVELOPS. END QUOTE

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